

# The Stick

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## Stick to Sponsor Barn Dance, Monday

### Dramatic Club Presentation Nov. 13



#### THE CAST FOR "THREE CORNERED MOON"

Wallace Cunningham, Richard Kelliher, and John Killelea make admirable sons of a fond and indulgent mother (Mildred Thomas) in "Three Cornered Moon", dramatic production scheduled for next Thursday night. The sister (Jean Fitch) is blase, and while the brothers love her, they definitely do not enjoy her being in love with an artist.

Jenny, (Eila Honkonen) the maid who can't speak English, is most suspicious of artists, and keeps an eagle eye on Turo Halfors, the artist lover. Eila is making the most of a small part.

Charles Hodgman, the more mature Dr. Stevens, not only calms

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### MOHAWK CLUB TO HOLD ANNUAL OUTING TONIGHT

Starting this afternoon, the Mohawk Club will hold its annual week end outing at the Leominster Boy Scout Camp near Mt. Monadnock. Due to the number of Mohawks on the soccer team, cars will leave late in the afternoon for camp.

Most of Saturday morning will be taken up in football, soccer and even swimming if anyone

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### EIGHT F.T.C. SONS ARE FLYING FOR THE U.S.

Nelson Wood, former Junior Class President, and Phil McGuirk left Thursday morning to join the United States Army Air Corps. F.T.C. now has a total of eight sons as flying cadets in either the United States Army or Navy Air Corps.

Alexander Cygaiewiez, class of '42, is stationed as a Navigator instructor in Texas. Henry Kos-

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### A.M.S.T.C.P. CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT F.T.C.

The STICK is sponsoring the next Massachusetts State Teachers College Publication Association Conference here at F.T.C. on Monday, November tenth. Approximately fifty delegates are expected from the Teachers Colleges in Massachusetts. Students and members of the F.T.C. faculty are invited to attend the feature attraction of the day, an all school Barn Dance, which will be held in the college gym from 8:00 to 11:00. Wear old clothes.

At 1:30 p.m., following the registration in the lobby, Dr. Herlihy will welcome the guests. Mr. Allan C. Inman, advertising manager of the FITCHBURG SENTINEL, is going to speak to

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### STEVENS SANG OVER LOCAL RADIO STATION

Clint Stevens, a member of the Sophomore Class, took part in a radio program at our local station, WEIM, a week ago last Friday. He participated in the Methodist Devotional Hour which is presented every Friday morning from 8:45 to 9:15.

Another member of our student body, Dick Tucker, announces at this station during the afternoons and evenings.





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## Editorial

### MUSHROOM ARTISTS

America is producing "mushroom artists". We do not have Lincolns, Shakespeares, or Aristotles today. Overnight through some chance of fate, an individual may be brought before the public's eye: in a year or so, he vanishes into oblivion.

The human mind has not deteriorated, but the human courage and spirit has. We no longer sit into the late hours of the evening to conquer our handicaps. Instead, we attend social gatherings into the wee hours of the morning. Through these, we acquire "influential contacts". Contacts which help us to acquire the top rung of the ladder. We forget that we are only being pushed to such heights, and that if we haven't a good grasp of the ladder, we will fall in short order.

As teachers, we should strive to build America by teaching our pupils that honest hard work made our immortal heroes, and their persistent notable quality of work resulted in their lasting eminence.

### ARMISTICE DAY

"Peace on Earth to Men of Good Will" resounded from mountain to mountain echoing in all the valleys on Christmas Day. Greedy, power seeking "war lords" know not its meaning. They attribute their lives and ambitions to havoc and destruction.

On November 11 peace will be an utopian dream. In the hands of this powerful country of ours is the possible solution. Let's have faith in our beliefs and hope in our aims.

## What Have You!!

### DICTIONARY FOR FRESHMEN

Coup—ask any Junior!

Porker—anyone who did his work while you were out having a good time.

Pussy-bumper—this person not only brings an apple for the teacher; he polishes it!

Eight ball—a small spherical object, completely black except for a white circle in which is inscribed a large "8", and behind which most of us are at the present time.

Sharpie—a long, sharp, flat-bottomed boat with one or two masts, each carrying a triangular sail: (All right, then, YOU look it up).

Low man—the Industrial Arts man who forgot to put the guard down when using the power saw.

Soccer team—eleven men who kick a ball around with the express intention of beating their opponent's brains out.

P.A. Steps—traditional spot for pitching woo, Fitchburg style.

Scrouging—one of the gentler of the fine arts, enjoyable and profitable, best learned by doing.

### 30 SECOND DRAMA

Time: Wednesday, 5 p.m.

Place: A bus, Fitchburg bound from the Book Fair.

Action: Starts during a lull in the singing.

Freshman: "Say —"

Senior: "Yes —?"

Freshman: "Do you know 'You Can't Get To Heaven?'"

Senior: "Sure, but please don't tell anybody, will you."

### QUOTES FROM A DRAFTEE (guess who)

Advice to men with amorous intent. "Do a tailoring job (press your suit) with the lady."

"There's more red tape in this man's army than you can find in a Russian Tailor Shop."

Breathes there a man with soul so dead, Who's never turned his head and said, Hm, not bad'."

### NOTES FROM THE "NUT HOUSE NEWS"

One "guest" when interviewed said, "This is a wonderful place. I don't have to do any work, I get three meals a day, and at night they lock the place up so that nobody can get in to bother me."

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## Sportscope

### BRIDGEWATER GAME

Showing the effect of the long trip, the soccer team last Friday suffered its first defeat at the hands of Bridgewater, 1 to 0. The game was a heart breaker, with the easiest kind of kick being missed, and the scoring chances being neglected. The outcome of the game didn't decide who the best team was, but depended more on which team played the sloppiest. With the exception of their two inside men, Bridgewater had no outstanding players; while our team played its worst game to date, with the usual old standby's failing to play the type of ball they are capable of. Bill Konsavage was captain for the game, and made many valiant but futile efforts to take the game out of the fire.

### MASSACHUSETTS STATE

But let's forget about last week's game; today's game with Mass. State is the game we all have been looking forward too. If the boys have recovered from the game last week as they seem to, if this week's practice is any indication, then this ought to be the best game of the season. The game will be played at Coolidge Field and a large crowd should be at hand. This is the last game, and if the boys can cop it, the season would be very successful; after all a .750 average is good in any league.

### INTRAMURALS

Whether it was the editorials or just a general change in attitude that did it, we don't know but the fact is that the intramural football league this year has been getting a good response from the various classes. The championship should be decided this week and then on to basketball. I think a good suggestion to the intramural board would be to publish on the

### SOCCER TEAMS FINAL GAME WITH MASS. STATE

This afternoon at three o'clock, the F.T.C. Soccer Team takes on Massachusetts State College on Coolidge Field. This is the last game of the soccer season. It is the last chance for the students to see one of the school's best soccer teams in years. Follow the crowd to the game.

Basketball practice begins on Monday at the B.F. Brown Junior High School.

### PROVIDENCE SCHOOLS VISITED BY THE I.A. MEN

The students of the Senior and Junior classes of the Industrial Arts division visited a group of schools in Providence, Rhode Island, on October 27. They visited the Rhode Island School of Design, the Mt. Pleasant High School, and the Nathan Bishop Jr. High School.

The men on the whole regarded the visit to the School of Design as a very interesting and educational experience. While the Nathan Bishop School seemed to have fairly progressive shops, some of the visitors believed that the objects which the pupils were making were stereotyped and unoriginal.

### What Have You

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A special poll taken among 200 unselected patients revealed the startling fact that thirty were authors trying to gain unusual experiences, and 169 were special investigators appointed by the F.B.I. to check up on the hospital. The odd patient when asked

bulletin board the standing of the various classes and also have a schedule there also. The officials this year should be complimented on the fine way they handled the games.

### JUNIOR GRAMMAR MASTERS LEAD IN SIX-MAN FOOTBALL

The fall season of Intramurals is well underway under the direction of Coach Elliot. The six-man touch football games have been played, on the whole, according to schedule and have been well handled by Senior Playground Supervision Classes.

To date, in the three games played the Sophomore Grammar Masters, Freshman Combines, and Junior Grammar Masters have been victorious.

In the first game, Coach Phillips' razzle-dazzle Sophomore Grammar Masters ran roughshod over a highly outclassed Frosh Combine team to the tune of 13 to 0. Flathers and Phillips were outstanding for the Sophs while Peck and Rooney carried the burden for the Frosh.

In the second game, the Frosh reversed themselves and outmaneuvered the Soph I.A.'s to take a close game, 7 to 0. A beautiful Peck to Rouisse pass provided the margin.

The "Champs", Coach Jack O'Neil's fast Junior G.M. team were hard pressed to take their opener when a stubborn Senior G.M. squad held them scoreless for the first half. But in a determined second half, they registered two touchdowns to win, 12 to 0. Savitt and Killelea were the offensive stars for the Juniors while Bud Powers was the backbone of the Seniors.

said, "Naw, I'm no investigator, I'm batty".

Theme song of an arsonist who was enjoying our hospitality—"I Don't Want To Set The World On Fire."

Most pathetic case: One inmate read a "Superman" funny book, and then broke his neck trying to dive through the wall.

—by Ralph Gray



## F.T.C. GIRLS MAY ATTEND NAT. HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Here is an item, gals, that will interest you all! The National Field Hockey Tournament is going to be held at Wellesly College, Wellesly, Mass. on Nov. 20, and the best part of it all is that you all can go! It has been eight years since the tournament has been held in the east so an opportunity of this nature should not be passed up.

Here is a brief outline of the tournament: The various hockey teams thru out the country compete to win a place in their respective localities. Each section of the country picks a team made up of their best players and enters them in the tournament. The teams in the tournament compete for a position on the United States Team. The tournament starts Thursday, Nov. 20, at 10 A.M. and continues thru Friday and Saturday, and on Sunday the final game, that between the United States Team and the Reserves, is played.

All members of the W.A.A. are eligible to go at the club admission price of 25 cents per day. Here is an opportunity to see the best hockey in the United States, so why not take advantage of it. Watch the bulletin board for further announcements and if you're interested see MacLean who is head of hockey.

## FACULTY MEMBER TO SPEAK AT WORCESTER

Mr. Arthur C. Harrington will speak at the Worcester County Teachers meeting today in the Memorial Auditorium in Worcester.

"Propaganda and Evidence" will be the topic which is to be discussed by Mr. Harrington and Albert Fransworth of the Worcester State Teachers College.

## Orange and White

### KEENE SPORTS DAY

Gert Hermanson has posted on the bulletin board the schedule for All Sports Day to be held at Keene N.H. F.T.C. is sending a delegation of twenty-seven girls to uphold the reputation of the institute and these girls will participate in all eight sports. This Sports program is the nearest approach to women's varsity sports in this college, and therefore, deserves the complete support of the entire student body. This Sports Day should encourage most of you girls to go out for sports in the future, for without participation in sports you are not allowed to attend such sports conferences. Keene Sports day is not based on intercollegiate competition but emphasises the enjoyment of sports. It gives an opportunity for girls of different colleges to play together and form new acquaintances.

### HOCKEY SEASON

Now that hockey season has come to a close it does not mean that the dust on the athletic field will settle, for within a week soccer practice will call you out for scrimmage. Tena Sironaitis, the head of soccer, has made her schedule and will have sign-up sheets on the bulletin board. You have seen the boys play soccer and you have seen good team work in the varsity games. Here is your chance to prove that soccer can be just as interesting when played by girls, as the game of the college varsity team.

### FRESHMAN SPORTS

Well Freshmen, now you know the meaning of team spirit. You have experienced your first color team rivalry in the hockey games, and it is quite obvious that a team cannot succeed without ample support. If you missed the hockey season be sure to come out for soccer. This is the last outdoor sport until the spring season, so lets wind it up with a bang!

According to the list of girls going to Keene, there is a definite lack of Sophomore and Freshmen girls. There are only three Sophomores and two Freshmen on the teams. The college program is not complete without sports activities and the physical Ed. period is not sufficient so out of respect for your class come out for sports.

### ALUMNI VS. VARSITY

After the hockey game between the Alumni and the undergraduates, many feel that another game should be called. To be sure, the game was played and was official. Many feel that a more competitive game could be played. With fair warning to the Alumni (those teachers do need time to condition themselves) and equal enthusiasm from the undergraduates a rip-roaring game of hockey could be arranged. For many of you will remember the grade of hockey the past years seniors could play. Gals like Sirka Waris, Dot Hackett, Eleanor Thurlow, Lil Szoick, Ursi Mulcahy, and Eileen Connelly are capable of swinging a mean hockey stick and when these gals play hockey it takes a strong team to stop them. The undergrads did defeat the grads 6-2 in the first game but are quite willing to meet the Alumni again to defend the title.





Jack O'Neil should become a bit better acquainted with his clubs. It seems that he asked Ed Donnelly, an ex-officer of the Mchawks, if he had been getting the Gaveleer Bulletin.

It looks as though "Winkie" will not be doing nearly as much winking from now on if Jane Lane has anything to say about it.

Lost and Found:

Two banners, if found return to the Junior and Senior class presidents respectfully.

Open Letter to Kay Doheny:

Better not play with fire, Kay. The price on Unguentine has taken an awful jump lately.

Leave it to the Frosh to coin new daffy-nitions for old words. Joe Raposa will swear that a "gerund" is the difference between the sexes.

Heard in a Chem exam period:

Mr. Sullivan; "I'm sorry but I can't answer any questions; I suffer from amnesia during tests."

Timid Voice: "Is that disease contagious, Mr. Sullivan?"

#### F.T.C. HIT PARADE

"Anvil Chorus" to Mr Puring-Ton's metal shop.

"I've Been Drafted" to the men at the W.G.A. dance last Wednesday.

"Running Wild" to John Gemma looking for STICK material.

"Smoke Gets In Your Eyes"—the Spa between periods.

"I Saw Stars"—Ralph Evans

"Whispering" to the Library

"There's A Long Long Trail Awinding"—Miller Hall

"Honey"—Obvious

"Row, Row Your Boat"—Tom Collins

"Smile Darn You, Smile"—Elaine Emerson

"The Breeze And I"—Charley DeKeyser

"Casey Would Waltz With The Strawberry Blonde" to J. Hoyer at W.G.A. dance

"Martha"—Roswell Edwards

"I Only Want A Buddy Not A Sweetheart"—Dot Dahlquist

"Just A Little Bit Of Heaven"—Kay Dohent

"When My Baby Smiles At Me"—Frank Romano

"We Three"—Jim "Babe" Amsler  
"Give Me A Little Kiss"—P.- I mean I.A. steps.

"There'll Always Be An England"—Dick Allen

"Jim"—Rita O'Mealey

"Let's All Sing Like The Birdies Sing"—The Glee Club

"The Deacon Went Down to The Celler To Pray"—Harry Erb

"Joltin Joe Dimaggio"—Tony Tasca

"Brother Can You Spare A Dime"  
The laundry line in Palmer on Tuesday nite.

"Nutcracker Suite" Ralph Gray's room

### A PAGE FROM THE GAVELEER'S DIARY

FRIDAY, OCT. 30, 1941

5:30—The Gavs departed with the hapless neophytes for Camp Lowe, a thirty-room mansion, owned by the Fitchburg Boy Scouts.

6:30—On arrival, at this hour the Neophytes were led through the awful rigors of initiation lasting well into the night.

11:30—The new members at this time were unvieled, and were told they could go to sleep if they liked. But both Gavs and Neophytes decided there was no use going to sleep, so as a result, an entire night of room-wrecking, ala dormitory style was indulged in, and was appreciated (?) by all.

SATURDAY, OCT. 31,

7:30—We arose bright and early to enjoy the fine breakfast Brother Preston prepared.

### RELEASED FOR 1941-42 COLLEGE BUDGET

The following table shows how our Student Fund money will be spent for the year 1941-42:

#### COLLEGE BUDGET

##### SCHOOL

Men's Student Association .....	\$ 60.00
Women's Student Association .....	60.00
Palmer Hall Board .....	60.00
Miller Hall Board .....	59.32
Astronomy Club .....	40.00
Glee Club & Orchestra .....	182.75
Dramatic Club .....	182.75
Debating Club .....	42.50
W. A. A. ....	324.85
M. A. A. ....	918.85
"Stick" .....	221.00
Art Club .....	21.25
Class '42 .....	229.50
'43 .....	318.75
'44 .....	76.60
Winter Carnival .....	20.00
'45 .....	76.50
	\$2904.02

##### COOPERATIVE SOCIETY

Sax .....	\$500.00
Banquets (all men's	
(all women's) .....	300.00
New York Conference .....	68.00
Commencement (including Class Day) .....	80.75
State Conference .....	21.75
Tuesday Night Dances .....	17.00
Assemblies .....	127.50
Miscellaneous .....	93.50
Senior Class Gifts .....	25.00
Keeping the Treasury Books .....	20.00
	1253.00
	Total \$4157.02

Have you paid your \$16.00?

1:30—Test on the Constitution was given to the Neophytes after dinner; and when this was completed the gang played a game of football that featured mud, and still more mud.

8:30—Sat. Nite; A Barn Dance at East Jaffrey was visited by the whole club and here Bros. Hoyer, Kalil, and Stevens with Bro. Whiting as master of ceremonies, took over with a rendition of, "T'was An Evening In October".

Sunday, Nov. 1; Breakfast followed by a trip to church in East Jaffrey.

11:00—A singout with all the members of the club participating. Dinner followed this and at two o'clock after an hour of cleanup the gang disembarked for home.



## WOMEN'S BANQUET WAS AN ENJOYABLE OCCASSION

The annual Women's Banquet was held on Wednesday, November 5, in the Palmer Hall dining room. An interesting program of entertainment was provided, followed by community singing.

The banquet was followed by general dancing in the school library. Music was furnished by Wally Putman's orchestra.

### Dramatic Club

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the family in all their difficulties but so thoroughly helps Elizabeth that she falls in love with him. Hodgman is proving a good find in dramatic circles. Mildred Thomas will be loved by the audience, for she is Mrs. Rimplegar who is always late in both words and actions, and gave away the family fortune—yet she rules her home with love, and her children react accordingly. For dozens of laughs, Mildred will share honors with Wallace Cunningham.

The chairman of the technical staff are: Stage—William Cove; Properties—John Gemma; Advertising—Edna Charrier; Business Manager—Richard Kelliher; and Printing—John Labenski.

### Mohawks

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wishes. About ten o'clock, the boys will start their climb to the top of the mountain. They will eat their dinner there.

Saturday night, a banquet will be held at the camp dining hall at which time several of the honorary members of the club and co-sponsors, Mr. Harrington and Mr. Weston will be present. Directly after the banquet a full hour of entertainment is to be presented by the new Braves. The remainder of the evening will be spent in Keene at the recreation center. The tribe ex-

## Class Notes

### JUNIOR CLASS

Nominations were made at a special meeting last Monday for a new president to take over Nelson Wood's duties. They were John Labenski and Turo Halfors.

### SOPHOMORE CLASS

Joseph Riley and Chester Gurney were elected co-chairman of the Winter Carnival which the Sophomore Class is sponsoring this year.

### FRESHMAN CLASS

Committees have been chosen for the Winter Carnival dance under the co-chairmanship of Margaret McCarthy and Donald Parsons.

### ALUMNI NOTES

Mrs. Leon Russell, formerly Lois Hale, graduate of the Fitchburg Teachers College in 1932 is now located in Henderson, Ky. Where she is planning to teach.

Mr. Lawrence, class of 1932, is teaching in Porto Rico. He writes: "I am now working at the Department of Education in San Juan. My work involves communications in English, but I have aspirations of becoming a full fledged supervisor some day."

### Woody Leaves

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iuisko, class of '40, is an instructor at Jacksonville, Florida. The following are at Jacksonville working for their wings: Rowe Nevin, Walter Pierce, George Parker, of the class of '41, Alex MacAusland, class of '43, and Harry Butterfield of the class of '42.

pects to return to Fitchburg Sunday afternoon.

The club held its initiation of their new members Tuesday night. The initiation was headed by Phil Shebell and, carried out by all members of the club.

## NO DECISION IN TRIANGLE DEBATE

Having as their question, "Policy for the United States", Bay Path, Springfield College, and the F.T.C. debating clubs participated in a triangle debate at the College Assembly on Tuesday, November 4.

Bay Path argued for Clarence Street's "Union with Britain", Springfield for isolation, and F.T.C. for continentalism. There was no decision.

## ART CLUB HEARD ART DIRECTOR SPEAK MONDAY

At a meeting of the Art Club held in Miss Conlon's room Monday afternoon, Mr. Daniel Tower, director of the Fitchburg Art Center, gave an interesting talk on the functional importance of art in the life of today's average person.

Edna Charrier and Marion Smith teach Friday afternoon and Saturday morning classes of children at the Art Center.

### Stick Conference

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the group.

A tour of the print shop, followed by a tea and a business meeting will be next on the program. At 6:30 p.m., the delegates will enjoy a banquet at Brook's Restaurant. The group will later depart for the Barn Dance to be held in the gym.

Dick Finn is the general chairman for the conference and working with him are the following committee chairmen: Social—Frank Romano; banquet—John Hoyer; dance—Eino Hakala; printing—Bertram Hirtle. John Gemma helped Dick Finn in the planning of the conference.